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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/712,226
Filing Date: November 13, 2003
Applicant: Maloney
Group Art Unit: 3676
Examiner: Lloyd A. Gall
Title: Pedestal Closure Assembly with Snag-Free Lock (as amended)
Attorney Docket: 9679B-000098/US

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

AMENDMENT B

In response to the Office Action mailed December 29, 2005, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Applicant hereby petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

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